



Hermosa Beach City Manager's Office City Council Meeting Updates 5.11.18

A brief summary of important City Council updates discussed during the May 8, 2018 regularly scheduled meeting is provided below.

May 8, 2018 ([Meeting Agenda](#))



Recognizing Hermosa Beach Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts – The meeting began with recognition of two local girl scouts for receiving Gold Awards, the highest achievement in Girl Scouting to honor individuals who have demonstrated extraordinary leadership through projects that have impacted their communities. Also honored were four scouts from Troop 860 for achieving rank of Eagle



Scout, the highest rank attainable in the Boy Scouting program, which recognizes individuals who have completed extensive service and exemplified strong leadership. Both troops were presented with certificates of recognition from the Hermosa Beach City Council and the California State Assembly for their contribution to our community.



Presentation of PLAN Hermosa Awards – The City Council and members of the Planning Commission were presented with three awards from the California Association of Environmental Professionals (AEP), the American Planning Association (APA), and the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) for PLAN

Hermosa, the City's integrated General Plan and Coastal Land Use Plan. The organizations presenting the awards praised PLAN Hermosa for its work toward creating a more sustainable community by addressing new and emerging topics such as climate change and sea level rise, and thoughtfully engaging the community through diverse outreach methods. A video has been prepared by SCAG and presented as part of the awards, click [here](#) to view.

Status Update Regarding Major Community Development Projects – A status report was provided to City Council regarding major Community Development Department Projects. Key highlights of the updates include the following:

- *Short-term Vacation Rentals (STVR)* – The City's proactive code enforcement efforts continue on an ongoing basis, and have been successful in dramatically reducing illegal advertising. Staff intends to return to the Council with options for allowing or regulating STVRs in existing non-conforming residential uses located in commercial zones.
- *Short Term Entertainment Permit (STEP) Program Proposed by THRIVE Hermosa* – Staff is currently in the process of working with the City Attorney's office on options for amending the Zoning Ordinance, which will be considered by the Planning Commission summer 2018.
- *H2O Hotel Project* – The owner of the project has assured completion of the project by early 2019.
- *AT&T Cell Tower Proposal* – Staff is coordinating a meeting to review AT&T's specific proposal for up to 12 small cell sites in the public right-of-way. A draft ordinance and permit process for these sites will be



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presented to council for consideration in early summer.

- *Strand & Pier Hotel* – A draft EIR is expected to be released within the next month to start the 60-day public review period. A Final EIR certification and project entitlements will be presented to the Planning Commission and City Council for consideration tentatively scheduled for Fall/Winter 2018.

Award of Contract for Design of City Yard Renovations – City Council approved a contract with Adrian Gaus Architects Inc. to provide design services for the Corporate City Yard. Adrian Gaus Architects has worked on several projects in the city, including the beach restrooms, Clark Building renovations, and the park restrooms currently in design.

Appointment of a New City Council Subcommittee – City Council appointed a two-member ad hoc subcommittee consisting of councilmembers Massey and Campbell to work with Leadership Hermosa Beach to develop expectations and guidelines for future Leadership class projects and programming. The subcommittee would work with representatives from Leadership Hermosa Beach and City staff to identify areas for improved collaboration, establish clear expectations on how class projects can support and align with community needs, and systematize the process for engaging City officials and obtaining necessary approvals for future proposals.

Other Matters/Tentative Agenda – To close out the meeting, Council directed staff to bring back agenda items at a future City Council meeting on the following topics:

- Appointment of a subcommittee to participate in the process of managing the design and construction of the new fire station on Pier Avenue
- Next steps for citywide signage and branding
- Letter of support for federal gun control legislation
- Update on contract services to pump major beach storm outfalls drains

THE NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED CITY COUNCIL MEETING IS TUESDAY, MAY 22, 2018

Questions or comments? Contact the Assistant to the City Manager Nico De Anda-Scaia Monday through Thursday, 7AM- 6PM at (310) 318-0201 or via email at ndeanda@hermosabch.org.

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